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SUBJECT: AMOCO OPERATIONS IN GULF OF SUEZ

REF: CAIRO 8473

1. DURING INTERIM AGREEMENT NEGOTIATIONS, SUBJECT OF AMOCO'S DIFFICULTIES WAS RAISED IN CONTEXT OF FAHMY'S REQUEST FOR ASSURANCE THAT SHIPS WOULD NOT BE SIMILARLY MOLESTED IN FUTURE. RABIN SAID THAT IF AMOCO HAD HANDLED MATTERS BETTER IT WOULD NOT HAVE EXPERIENCED DIFFICULTIES IN FIRST PLACE.

2. ON SEPT 2 WE INFORMED EVRON (MFA) OF AMOCO'S INTENTIONS (REF) TO POSITION DRILL SHIPS IN AREA WHERE HARASSMENT OCCURED AUG 17 AND SAID WE ASSUMED THAT VESSELS WOULD NOT ENCOUNTER ANY DIFFICULTIES. AFTER CHECKING, EVRON CALLED TO SAY THAT IF WE PROVIDED DETAILS ABOUT VESSELS, RELEVANT INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR PLANNED MOVEMENTS, ETC., HE COULD ASSURE THAT ISRAELIS WOULD NOT CREATE DIFFICULTIES.

3. IN RESPONSE TO OUR QUESTION AS TO HOW NOTIFICATIONS MIGHT HAVE BEEN HANDLED IN PAST, EVRON SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW, BUT WOULD CHECK. IN THE MEANTIME, HE THOUGHT THIS CHANNEL (AMOCO TO EMBASSY CAIRO TO GOI VIA EMBASSY TEL AVIV) WAS MOST PRACTICAL WAY TO COMMUNICATE.
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